

2025



COMMUNITY REPORT





To the Residents of Vermilion Parish,

Since taking office on July 1, 2024, I have been honored to serve as your Sheriff. After completing our first year, I want to share a brief overview of the progress made through the Vermilion Parish Sheriff's Office.

We have launched several community-focused initiatives, including our **Autism Awareness Program**, the **Citizen's Academy**, and the **Elderly Assistance Program**, each designed to strengthen safety, understanding, and support across the parish. We also created the **Investigative Support Unit**, which uses modern technology and data to help solve crimes more efficiently. In addition, we strengthened partnerships with municipal police departments and local leaders to ensure unified, parish-wide public safety.

These accomplishments reflect our commitment to transparency, proactive policing, and community engagement. As we move into the next year, we remain focused on improving services, building trust, and keeping Vermilion Parish safe.

Thank you for your continued support.

With gratitude and respect,

Sheriff Eddie Langlinais



COMMAND STAFF

Pictured (L-R): Criminal Investigations Captain Mike Touchet, Chief Deputy Blair Dore, Sheriff Eddie Langlinais, Enforcement Captain Glenn Landry, Civil/Administrative Captain Brooke Stelly, Warden of Corrections Captain Sammy LaPorte

VPSO MISSION STATEMENT

The Vermilion Parish Sheriff's Office is committed to transparent, accountable law enforcement that builds unity between citizens and deputies through community engagement. We work to protect life and property, uphold justice, reduce crime, and improve quality of life parish-wide. Our agency strives for professionalism and fairness in every interaction, serving with compassion and leading by example.



SWEARING IN CERemony

Pictured in photo: 3rd Circuit of Appeals Judge Jonathan Perry, Mrs. Lyndi Langlinais, Jeric Langlinais, Trey Delcambre, Mrs. Verlie Langlinais, Sheriff Eddie Langlinais



SIPPIN' WITH THE SHERIFF

Inspired by Sheriff Eddie Langlinais' campaign tradition of meeting residents face-to-face, "Sippin' with the Sheriff" was created as a monthly event for community conversation. Each month, the gathering rotates to a different municipality, giving all residents an opportunity to meet with the Sheriff and VPSO command staff, hear updates, ask questions, and share concerns.



LEADERS IN LAW ENFORCEMENT

The Vermilion Parish Sheriff's Office, led by Sheriff Eddie Langlinais, was honored at the Community Foundation of Acadiana's sixth annual Leaders in Law Enforcement Awards for its innovative, community-focused initiatives. VPSO was recognized for launching a Real-Time Crime Center, expanding youth and community engagement, strengthening school safety, and supporting vulnerable populations. The Community Foundation of Acadiana and the Joe W. and Dorothy Dorsett Brown Foundation presented Sheriff Langlinais and VPSO with a \$40,000 award to further these efforts in Vermilion Parish.



(L-R): Captain Mike Touchet, Senior Deputy Shawn Falke, Public Information Officer Ashley Adams, Captain Glenn Landry, Mrs. Lyndi Langlinais, Sheriff Eddie Langlinais, Executive Secretary Monica Delcambre, Captain Brooke Stelly, Captain Sammy LaPorte, Lieutenant Marcus Hebert, Deputy Gerald Stewart



Chiefs Meetings, initiated by Sheriff Eddie Langlinais in January of 2024, are held quarterly to discuss important issues and collaborate on public safety initiatives that impact Vermilion Parish. These meetings include the Sheriff, VPSO Chief Deputy Blair Dore, and the Chiefs of Police of each municipality.



INVESTIGATIVE SUPPORT UNIT/ COMMUNITY SAFETY TRAILERS

The Investigative Support Unit (ISU) was created to enhance safety in Vermilion Parish and support law enforcement in preventing and solving crime. ISU operates more than 70 parish-wide cameras, including five VPSO-built mobile Community Safety Trailers used in high-concern areas and at major events. These, along with access to hundreds of partner network cameras, provide crucial evidence that strengthens investigations.



YOUTH PROGRAM

The Vermilion Parish Youth Program launched in March 2025 through a partnership between VPSO, the Louisiana Attorney General's Office, and local high schools. Sheriff Langlinais, VPSO deputies, and state representatives presented online safety lessons to students, highlighting social media risks and best practices. Over the summer, the program continued with the Boys and Girls Club, where youth met with deputies and learned practical skills—such as checking vehicle fluids and changing a tire—from a local mechanic.



SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

In six short weeks after Sheriff Langlinais took office, six School Resource Officers were in place at Vermilion Parish schools for the 2024-2025 school year. By the onset of the 2025-2026 school year, the program had nine SROs in place across Vermilion Parish. School resource officers serve as a police presence in our schools and as positive role models for students to look up to.



ELDERLY ASSISTANCE

The Elderly Assistance Program is designed to provide regular visits to the aging population in Vermilion Parish, ensuring they have friendly faces checking on their well-being. Deputy Gerald Stewart and Deputy David Trahan are the dedicated Elderly Assistance deputies who travel the Parish to visit those citizens who are identified as needing extra attention—whether because they live alone, don't have local family checking in, or other reasons. This program provides opportunities for deeper connection between law enforcement and the community.



Under Sheriff Eddie Langlinais and led by Lieutenant Marcus Hebert, the Vermilion D.A.R.E. program grew from one to five certified officers within 15 months. Lieutenant Regina Suire earned certification in August 2024, followed by Sergeant Elliot Broussard, and Deputies Grant Dyson and Rodney Vincent in September 2025. Beyond classroom instruction and graduation ceremonies, D.A.R.E. officers and VPSO deputies also host demonstration days where students explore Sheriff's Office response vehicles.



The Vermilion Parish Sheriff's Office hosts a five-week Citizen's Academy twice a year, offering residents an inside look at each division's operations. The program concludes with a "Range Day," where participants learn firearm safety, practice on the VPSO range, and experience a simulated traffic stop from a deputy's perspective. Since Fall 2024, more than 50 citizens have completed the academy and received certificates from Sheriff Langlinais.

Vermilion Parish Correctional Center offers both Catholic and non-denominational religious services and bible studies to residents who choose to participate. VPCC also offers Substance Abuse and Anger Management classes for those in need of these services.



Autism Awareness stickers help Vermilion first responders know when someone with autism may be in a vehicle or home, allowing deputies to respond with greater understanding. Available at VPSO and local police stations, the stickers expand the Autism Alerts system and provide vital information for safer, more sensitive responses.

DEPUTIES ON DUTY



CANINE UNIT EXPANSION

The K9 force at VPSO was expanded when a generous donor provided the funds for the purchase of a Belgian Malinois. VPSO now has two dogs certified in narcotics detection and criminal apprehension and two deputies who have undergone the 6-week National Police K9 Association training course.



VPSO AWARDS

At Vermilion Parish's inaugural award ceremony, six deputies and two civilians were honored and recognized for their contributions, achievements, and superior performance over the last year. Throughout the event the Vermilion Parish Sheriff's Office celebrated civilian employees, patrol deputies who daily serve the community through kindness, those who bravely face dangers without regard to themselves, and the lifesaving actions of both deputies and citizens.

Recipients of the 2025 Vermilion Parish Sheriff's Awards



Senior Deputy Jamie Stevens
Civilian Employee of the Year Award



Senior Deputy Donna Istre
Community Service Award



Deputy Trevor Baudoin
Distinguished Service Award



Senior Deputy Shane Guidry
Distinguished Service Award



Corporal Bishop Campbell
Life Saving Award



Sergeant Jeremiah Soriez
Meritorious Conduct Award

2025 ROTARY PUBLIC SERVANTS OF THE YEAR AWARDS



Photographed are: (back row) Captain Mike Touchet, 2 Rotary Club members, 15th JDC District Attorney Don Landry, Rotary Club member, Todd Chauvin (2024-2025 Rotary Club President); (front row) Sergeant Chad Touchet, Deputy Trevor Baudoin, Sergeant Mary Mouton, Lieutenant Lyle Zaunbrecher

Senior Deputy Glennis Broussard faithfully served in the Vermilion Parish Sheriff's Office Civil Division under three Sheriffs before retiring in May of 2025 with 30 years of service.

Sheriff Eddie Langlinais and the Vermilion Parish Sheriff's Office wish her well in retirement.





VERMILION PARISH SHERIFF'S OFFICE BY THE NUMBERS

July 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025

- Full-Time Employees: **129**
- Part-Time Employees: **15**
- Training Hours: **9,300+**
- Population Served: **57,000+**
- Grant Funds Awarded: **\$262,000**
- Total Calls Received: **15,075**
- Arrests: **1,105**
- Total Civil Papers Served: **23,521**



- Evidence Taken In: **2,509**
- Guns Seized: **118**
- SWAT Call-Outs: **20**
- **1,588 Total Inmates Booked** into the Vermilion Parish Correctional Center
- Investigations Division Served **283 Search Warrants** and **193 Arrest Warrants**



Vermilion Parish residents can safely dispose of expired or unneeded prescription medications in the dropbox located at the **Vermilion Parish Sheriff's Annex at 101 South State Street in Abbeville**.

OPIOID INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

Opioids are a class of natural, semi-synthetic, and synthetic drugs that include both prescription medications and illegal drugs. Prescription medications such as Oxycodone (OxyContin), Hydrocodone (Vicodin), Morphine, Codeine, Fentanyl, and others are mainly used for the treatment of pain. However, like illegal opioids, prescription opioids can be addictive, particularly if they are misused. Opioids are addictive. Use of opioids, either by themselves or in combination with other drugs, is a major driver of the drug overdose crisis in the United States.

Treatment for opioid addiction is available and can be highly effective and include such things as medication, behavioral therapy, and comprehensive recovery plans. Opioid addiction is a serious public health issue, but it is treatable. Early intervention and a combination of medication and therapy can significantly improve recovery outcomes. If you or someone you know is struggling with opioid use, seeking help from healthcare professionals is crucial for effective treatment and recovery.

Scan the QR code to download the Vermilion Parish Sheriff, LA app then tap the "Opioid & Addiction Resources" icon to get information on Vermilion Parish opioid addiction resource centers and Louisiana opioid resources online.





The Vermilion Parish Sheriff's Office now has a custom app for the residents of Vermilion Parish.

The VPSO app serves as a way for the Sheriff's Office to connect with Vermilion Parish residents, providing information quickly and efficiently to anyone with a smartphone and offering residents a way to get important information about VPSO easily. You can download the VPSO app by searching "Vermilion Parish Sheriff LA" in the App Store or on Google Play or by scanning the QR code.



IN THE COMMUNITY



ALWAYS DIAL 911 FOR AN EMERGENCY

Non-Emergency Calls	337-893-0871
Sheriff's Office Dispatch	337-898-4401
Vermilion Parish Police Jury	337-898-4300
Vermilion Parish Clerk of Court	337-898-1992
Vermilion Parish Assessor	337-893-2837
District Attorney	337-898-4320